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Robert W. Sisson et al.

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Serial No.: 09/220,830

) Group Art Unit: 2766

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Title: IMPROVED METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE REMOTE INSPECTION OF
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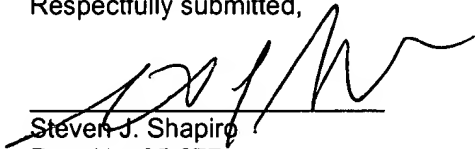
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In accordance with the Declaration and Power of Attorney on file with the Patent and Trademark Office, the correct title is: "**IMPROVED METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE REMOTE INSPECTION OF POSTAGE METERS**".

Please reflect this correction in your records and forward me a "Corrected" Filing Receipt. Thank you.

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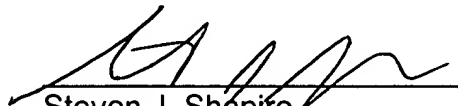
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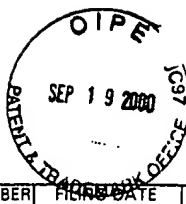
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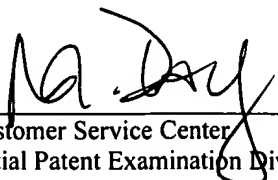
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